



Docket No.: 36488-167637  
(PATENT)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
Daniel V. EAST et al.

Application No.: 09/982,852

Art Unit: 3621

Filed: October 22, 2001

Examiner: C. O. Sherr

For: SYSTEM, METHOD AND COMPUTER  
PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR A FAIL-SAFE  
START-UP MECHANISM FOR CLIENTS OF  
A LICENSE SERVER

Customer No:

**26694**  
PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION  
IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

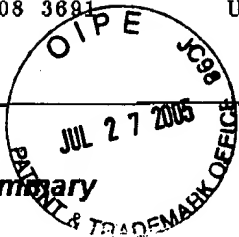
MS Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 27, 2005, please review the attached request for reconsideration in the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are needed to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims), and any other fee deficiency are hereby authorized to be charged, and any overpayments credited, to our Deposit Account No. 22-0261.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.



# Interview Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Cristina Owen Sherr

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference  
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☒ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.  
If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_.

Claim(s) discussed: all independent.

Identification of prior art discussed: \_\_\_\_\_.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached; or any other comments: Agreement was reached to issue a new action on this case, and reset/restart time for response, during which time case will not be considered abandoned.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

Cristina Owen Sherr  
Examiner's signature, if required